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Robber Kills Gem Dealer; Shoots Wife

Wounded Woman Fights Slay of Aged Husband in Home; Gives Alarm That Leads to Capture

Needed Xmas Cash, Plea of Murderer

Carl Moller, sixty-four years old, a jeweler, of 1088 Nelson Avenue, the Bronx, was shot and killed by a bandit yesterday while defending \$8,000 worth of jewelry, and his wife, Ursula, forty-eight years old, was seriously wounded.

This was the third killing in the Bronx within twenty-four hours. On Friday night two bandits, caught in the act of robbing a United Cigar store at 880 East Tremont Avenue, wounded Detective Randall P. McCarthy and Timothy J. Connell in their efforts to escape. A man said to be the one who escaped was found yesterday morning in Englewood (N. J.) Hospital with a bullet wound in his abdomen.

Bandits Slay and Rob In Holiday Crime Wave

Following is the list of hold-ups which have been committed in this city in the last three days:

Dec. 22—Renting office at 243 West Sixty-third Street; one bandit killed, one wounded, four escape with \$800.

Movie theater, 2707 Pitkin Avenue, Brooklyn; bandits escape with \$400.

Dec. 23—United Cigar store, 880 East Tremont Avenue; one bandit killed, one wounded, two escape.

Cafe, 288 East 162d Street; proprietor killed; bandits escape.

Delicatessen store, 133 Hester Street; bandits escape.

Matthew Weiner, robbed of \$1,000 worth of diamonds, Sixth Avenue and Seventeenth Street; bandits escape.

Fruit store, 338 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn; bandits escape.

Dec. 24—Gem dealer's home, 1888 Nelson Avenue, the Bronx; jeweler killed, wife wounded, bandit captured.

Lighter Captains' Union, 215 Court Street, Brooklyn; bandits escape.

Brother-in-law Caught

The wounded man is a brother-in-law of Nelson Levy, the one who was killed. His name is Joseph Oates. He is said to have confessed to have held up, in company with Levy, more than fifteen United Cigar stores, and to have attempted to rob a jewelry store at 280 East Tremont Avenue Friday night and how he managed to get to Englewood Hospital.

Robber Stalks Prey

Westling saw the advertisement and on Friday night he presented himself at the Moller home, saying that he would like to see the jewelry. Moller said he did not have the jewelry, but he would show it to Westling. Westling said he would return next day with the amount necessary to buy them.

Murderer Fires Twice

Westling pulled the trigger twice. The first shot struck Moller in the left breast near the heart. He fell clutching at the tablecloth and dragging it open. The first thing that caught his eye was Moller seated at the dining table and the second was the display of jewelry spread on the table.

Wounded Woman Follows Slayer

Westling threw the revolver under the table and ran. Through the blood that had blinded her Mrs. Moller saw him go and summoned all her remaining strength to follow him.

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5 Killed, 20 Hurt, in New Riot in Egypt

British Use Rifles in End- ing Raid Made Upon Government Offices in Gizeh, a Cairo Suburb

Malcontents Try To Burn Buildings

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Ill Health Caused Act

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Malta, Dec. 24.—Two British regiments here, it is understood, are being held in readiness to proceed to Egypt. Two warships were dispatched yesterday.

Chinese Bank Policy Defended

With the first attack of his enemies beaten off and a vote of confidence on his international policies safely averted, Premier Briand turned his attention to the question of the Chinese bank.

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Briand Halts Sharp Attack In Chamber

No Sacrifice of French Claim for Reparations Was Suggested at Lon- don Conference, He Says

Clever Strategy Avoids Test Vote

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Hughes Proposes a Heavy Cut In Submarines; Britain Accepts, But France and Japan Oppose It

Agreement Over Treaty Seems Sure

Harding Expected to Con- sent to Reservations to Clear Up Confusion in Regard to Japanese

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Gale Kills 25, Injures Scores, In Gulf States And Vanzetti

Towns Levelled in Storm Sweeping From Kansas Through Mississippi and Louisiana in the Night

Dwellings Torn to Bits

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—Twenty-five dead, scores injured and huge property damage is the toll of a storm which struck eastern Arkansas last night and tore through upper Mississippi and Louisiana during the early hours of to-day, according to incomplete information from the devastated areas to-night. Wires are down and virtually all communication with the storm area is shut off.

The village of Spencer, Union Parish, Louisiana, about fifteen miles from Monroe, was almost entirely leveled, with a loss, it is reported, of one life.

The home of E. L. Shean, on Bayou Bartholomew, four miles north of Bastrop, Morehouse Parish, was demolished. Mrs. Mary Spain, wife of E. L. Spain, manager of the Tisdale plantation, on which the house stood, and six negroes were killed. Twenty-five were injured in that neighborhood.

Three negroes were killed and more than a score injured when the storm struck two plantations near Greenwood, Miss., early to-day.

William Turner, a well known planter, and four negroes were also killed on a plantation near Marks, Miss.

The storm is reported to have started in Crittendon County, Ark., late yesterday, where about a dozen farming settlements were damaged. Payne Farm and eight negroes were reported killed in that county when a store in which fifty negro hands had taken refuge from the storm collapsed.

A special relief train was sent from Monroe to-day to Spencer with a number of physicians and nurses equipped with hospital supplies. No reports have been received from Spencer since this train was dispatched, but the Mississippi Pacific depot, a store and five homes are reported demolished there.

W. L. Wall, agent for the railroad at Spencer, and his wife are reported dying of injuries.

In addition to the seven killed in Morehouse Parish at least two others are said to be near death. The Spain dwelling was torn apart and furniture and other contents scattered for miles on both sides of Bayou Bartholomew. Miss Nellie Spain, fifteen, was critically injured and is not expected to live. Mrs. Spain was blown for a hundred feet against a tree, being instantly killed.

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Bandit Beats Earl's Nephew P. S. Honeywood Held Up on Jersey Road

HACKENSACK, N. J., Dec. 24.—(By The Associated Press).—A young man, Philip S. Honeywood, of Woodcliff Lake, was held up and robbed last night near Hillsdale by a man to whom he gave a lift in his automobile.

The stranger tied his hands and gagged him and robbed him of a watch and a wallet containing \$80. Dazed as he was from a blow on the head Mr. Honeywood staggered to the home of Dr. Hades of Hatfield. From there he was taken to his home where he has been unconscious most of the day, although slowly improving, according to his physician, Dr. P. Alexander, of Park Ridge.

Left the house, Johnson fired at a neighbor of the doctor who was coming from his home across the street. The man, injured, rushed to his home and telephoned the police. Johnson fired at the first officer who arrived on the scene and the policeman

returned the fire, but neither shot took effect, and Johnson was overcome by a railroad man, who grappled with him, and by police officers.

After his arrest Johnson said that he had been waiting a long time to "get the doctor." No motive for his action could be learned.

Dr. Patterson, who was about forty-five years of age, was survived by a wife and two children. He came here several years ago because of Mrs. Patterson's health. During the war he served in the Canadian army.

Little here is known of Johnson except that he was here for his health and that he was an ex-service man. Johnson was taken to the Franklin County Jail at Malone to-night.

THE PLAZA—Sunday Dinner Mouselines served at the Plaza Hotel. Special Dinner \$5.00 per cover.—Advt.

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Compromise Provides for Reduction by England and U. S. to 60,000 Tons; No Other Change

Decision Hinges On French Action

Instructions From Paris Expected Before Meet- ing of Council Tuesday

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(By The Associated Press).—An American effort to compromise the submarine controversy failed of immediate success to-day before the arms conference naval committee when Japan refused to accept suggested reduction of her submarines to 31,000 tons and French action was deferred pending advice from Paris.

When the committee adjourned after four hours' debate to meet again next Tuesday, some members of the American group appeared discouraged over the prospect for any early agreement on submarines, although negotiations are to continue.

The American compromise plan, presented after the British effort for complete suppression of submarines had been shelved, proposed 60,000-ton limitations for Great Britain and the United States instead of the original American figure of 90,000 tons each, and virtually a status quo for the other three powers.

British Alone Accepts

The British delegation, failing to obtain favorable action on suppression of submarines, accepted the new American reduction scheme. The French group indicated that it would be "unacceptable, but deferred last answer pending Paris advice. Japan flatly held out for the full 54,000 tons in submarines under the original American "five-five-three" ratio plan.

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